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## **Public Invited to Meeting for Proposed Parachute Fuels Project**

<u>Kamiah, Idaho (April 30, 2018)</u> – The Lochsa–Powell Ranger District of the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests will be hosting a public meeting Monday, May 7 to collaborate with the public and get input on the Parachute Fuels project, a proposal to evaluate treating roadside and road intersection vegetation along Forest Service roads near Powell.

The May 7 meeting will take place from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. (PDT) at the Powell Ranger Station, located off U.S. Highway 12 at 192 Powell Road, near Powell Campground and Lochsa Lodge. At the meeting, officials will introduce the potential project area and current resource conditions and answer questions from the public. The public is being asked to work with the Forest Service to begin to develop the proposed action.

The Parachute Fuels project would address hazardous fuels and public access along roadsides and intersections on Forest Service roads directly north of Highway 12 near Powell. The project is expected to be categorically excluded from documentation in an Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Statement in accordance with the Healthy Forest Restoration Act as amended.

Project information will be available online at <a href="www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53645">www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53645</a>. Please direct questions to Sara Daugherty, Natural Resource Planner, at <a href="saddaugherty@fs.fed.us">sddaugherty@fs.fed.us</a> or (208) 926-6404.

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